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# STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING 450 N Street, Room 121, Sacramento

# **NOTICE AND AGENDA**

# **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2003**

Agenda items occur sequentially. When circumstances warrant, the Chairwoman may modify the order of items as they appear on the agenda.

# **BOARD COMMITTEE MEETINGS\* (convenes at 9:30 a.m.)**

#### **\* BUSINESS TAXES COMMITTEE**

Mr. John Chiang, Chairman

Mr. Ramon Hirsig, Staff (916) 445-1441

- Proposed revisions to Audit Manual Chapter 4, General Audit Procedures, regarding property held for resale, when the property is transferred from an inventory account to a capital asset account and depreciated (continued from 5/28/03)
- Proposed regulation regarding application of tax to rebates and incentives (proposed Regulation 1671.1, Discounts, Coupons, Rebates and Other Incentives)

# **BOARD MEETING\*\*** (convenes upon adjournment of the Business Taxes Committee)

# SALES AND USE TAX APPEALS HEARINGS □ Vantagemed Corp., 165745 □ 10,000 RV Sales, Inc., 88391, 88392 □ Robert Van Briggle, 184855 SPECIAL TAXES APPEALS HEARINGS □ Technichem, Inc., 186397, 127702 □ MV Transportation, Inc., 136040,136141,136097

#### TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS - ADJUDICATORY

# A. Legal Appeals Matters

- ➤ Hearing Notice Sent—No Response
  - Silverstream Software, Inc., 149753
- Cases Heard But Not Decided
  - Seiniger Advertising, Inc., 41251
  - 3. LSI Logic Corporation, 142330
  - 4. Cypress Semiconductor Corporation, 173287

# **B.** Franchise and Income Tax Matters

- Decisions
  - 1. Gilbert Hansen, 186455
  - 2. Mark E. Stamos, 167885
  - 3. Ronald J. Stucker, 186955

- Matters for Board Consideration
  - 4. Conopco, Inc., 129732 Indopco, Inc., 129739 Sequoia-Turner Corporation, 129741

# C. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters

- Decisions
  - 1. Lawrence E. Ross, 194227
  - 2. Joel M. Weiner, 204146

# **❖ TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS – CONSENT**

# D. Legal Appeals Matters

- Petitions for Rehearing
  - 1. David J. Pedroli, 151696
  - 2. Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians, 37763
  - 3. Coast Corporation, 61746 Philip K. Hwang, 61747
- Hearing Notice Sent Appearance Waived
  - 4. Fondas X. Taoussanis, 167413
- Hearing Request Withdrawn
  - 5. Dolores Padilla Reyes, 151012

#### E. Franchise and Income Tax Matters

- Decisions
  - 1. Maryanne Avila, 192141
  - 2. Thomas M. and Ethel Ayako Bond, 195789
  - 3. Brenon Daly, 198872
  - 4. Lilia M. Delos Reyes, 207798
  - 5. Mary Fairwell, 202278
  - 6. Luisa Garmsen, 202282
  - 7. Larry Howard and Claudia L. Gassin, 203451
  - 8. Vaishali Ghiya, 202276
  - 9. Roger and Penny Gilbert, 202273
  - 10. Ray A. Griffin, 198674
  - 11. William R. Hunter, 182581
  - 12. JoAnn P. Innes, 195319
  - 13. Interactive Business Channel, Inc., 183471
  - 14. Hernan A. Jacobo, 172837
  - 15. Robert A., Jr., and Jolinda Johnston, 183396
  - 16. Rachael Kanterman, 195156
  - 17. William, Jr., and Nancy Eleanor Lyas, 107086
  - 18. Ruthie J. and John R. Piper, 212358
  - 19. Michael Joseph Saliba, 106177
  - 20. Belva Jeane Strange, 174066
  - 21. Hoang N. Tran and Kim Vu, 188241
  - 22. William Turner, 198631
  - 23. Carrie L. Wilkinson, 186945
- Petitions for Rehearing
  - 24. Jerry J. Couchman, 173715
  - 25. Marcus and Gisella Del Frate, 174602
  - 26. Joseph A. Drongoski, 79191
  - 27. William Alan Sobel, A Law Corporation, 129920

# F. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters

- Decisions
  - 1. Sonia Antselovich, 198460
  - 2. Zoya Baglayeva, 198477
  - 3. Merilyne Frisch, 201734
  - 4. Rachel Geller, 198539
  - 5. Johnny Gilbert, 203425
  - 6. Abram Gonopolsky, 198499
  - 7. Nathaniel Gutierrez, 208281
  - 8. Furman Hardy, 203087
  - 9. Nancy Howard, 197583
  - 10. Lillie L. Jackson, 185774
  - 11. Boris Krasnov, 198493
  - 12. Raya Mikhlina, 198502
  - 13. Michael E. Mitchell, 213096
  - 14. Curtis Morissette, 212617
  - 15. Varvara Nazaretyan, 202795
  - 16. Charles Scott Riley, Jr., 192992
  - 17. Donald A. Ritchie, 209869
  - 18. Sofia Rogova, 198472
  - 19. Alexandra Rudnitskaya, 198500
  - 20. Auguste M. Scaife, 194904
  - 21. Gretel Sessing, 203424
  - 22. Ruby Slagle, 197581
  - 23. Ester Spektor, 198463
  - 24. Jose Luis Vela, 190758
  - 25. Exzemina Williams, 197740

#### G. Sales and Use Taxes Matters

- Redeterminations
  - 1. Mattel, Inc., 114424
  - 2. Medig/PRN Life Support Services, 144841
  - 3. Eric John Bledsoe, 198985
  - 4. James S. Harp, 185991
  - 5. Graham-Field, Inc., 198158
  - 6. Kazoo, Inc., 185791
  - 7. Igloo Products Corporation, 203819
  - 8. Reebok International Ltd., 168214
  - 9. Retail Resources LP, 181653
  - 10. Raytheon Company, 168913
  - 11. Marshalls of MA, Inc., 145473
- Denials of Claims for Refund
  - 12. Edward Jack Sandel, 206934
  - 13. North Supply Company, 207819
  - 14. Xerox Corporation, 144965

# H. Sales and Use Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations and Refunds

- Credits and Cancellations
  - 1. Appleway Equipment Leasing, Inc., 221189
  - 2. Comdisco Healthcare Group, Inc., 222539
  - 3. James Mitchell, 222053
  - 4. Bankvest Capital Corporation, 220945
  - 5. Thermo Andersen, Inc., 187837
- Refunds
  - 6. Williamson-Dickie Mfg. Company, 221460
  - 7. Apollo Ultrapure Water System, Inc., 194658
  - 8. Pacific Capital Bank, N.A., 164177
  - 9. Decore-ative Specialties, 208339

- 10. Chevron U.S.A., Inc., 220172
- 11. Lucky Stores, Inc., 37066
- 12. Westamerica Graphics Corporation, 156032
- 13. Space Systems/Loral, Inc., 221261
- 14. C-P Manufacturing, Inc., 221391
- 15. The Chalone Wine Group, Ltd., 220696
- 16. The Picture People, Inc., 173031
- 17. Beringer Blass Wine Estates Company, 184494
- 18. Buck Stove West, Inc., 191812
- 19. Procter & Gamble Paper Products Company, 145340
- 20. Regents of the University of California, 92868
- 21. CCH, Incorporated, 129039
- 22. Sundor Brands, Inc., 145341
- 23. Salomon Smith Barney, Inc., 218453
- 24. Leasetec Corporation, 184050
- 25. Cooper Turbocompressor, Inc., 187588
- 26. Michaels Stores, Inc., 220321
- 27. Franklin Bank of California, 145290
- 28. Kellogg Company, 145374
- 29. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 196134
- 30. Delaware Ariba, Inc., 206147
- 31. Pacifica Mart LLC, 220322
- 32. Chrysler Financial Company LLC, 75827
- 33. APC Sales & Service Corporation, 161846
- 34. CVHS Hospital Corporation, 143956
- 35. Siemens Info & Commctn Mobile LLC, 87589
- 36. PSI Management Team, Inc., 220695
- 37. Airfiber, Inc., 207821
- 38. Plumtree Software, Inc., 144470
- 39. Conseco Finance Corporation, 194226
- 40. Sunkist Growers, Inc., 220831
- 41. The Procter & Gamble Distributing Company, 145343
- 42. Mervyn's, 206937
- 43. The Fifth Third Leasing Company, 152348
- 44. Kia Motors America, Inc., 221259
- 45. U.S. Natural Resources, Inc., 101440
- 46. Stoll America Knitting Machinery, Inc., 194657
- 47. Aramark Correctional Services, Inc., 205925
- 48. Tanimura & Antle, Inc., 63148
- 49. Ceramic Tile Pour La Maison, 220760
- 50. Progressive Casualty Insurance Company, 131259
- 51. Consumer Portfolio Services, Inc., 220503
- 52. First Merchants Acceptance Corporation, 220501

#### I. Special Taxes Matters

- Redeterminations
  - 1. California Department of Transportation, 209020

#### J. Special Taxes Matters — Credits, Cancellations and Refunds

- Credits and Cancellations
  - 1. Union Pacific Railroad Company, 222566
- Refunds
  - 2. Grocers Specialty Company, 222213
  - 3. Pacific National Insurance Company, 220989 "CF"
  - 4. Great Northern Insured Annty. Corporation, 214558 "CF"
  - 5. SCPIE Indemnity Company, 214545 "CF"
  - 6. Freeman Catherine Alice, 220199 "CF"

# ❖ TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS — NOT SUBJECT TO CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE STATUTE

# **K. Property Tax Matters**

- Unitary Escaped Assessments "CF"
  - 1. 01 Communications, Inc. (7791)

HighSpeed Communications of CA, LLC (7778)

Enhanced Global Convergence Services, Inc., (7855)

Vectren Communication Services, Inc., (7920)

Tecnet, Inc., (7928)

Yipes Enterprise Services, Inc., (7972)

#### L. Local Tax Reallocation Matter

- Cases Heard But Not Decided
  - City of Laguna Hills, 203006

# **\* CHIEF COUNSEL MATTERS**

# M. Rulemaking

## **Property Tax**

- Request for adoption of revised language to regulation
  - 1. Rule 462.240, The Following Transfers do not Constitute a Change in Ownership

#### Sales and Use Taxes

- Request for adoption of revised language to regulation
  - 2. Regulation 1802, Place of Sale and Use for Purposes of Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Taxes
- Authorization to publish amendments to regulation
  - 3. Regulation 1591, Medicines and Medical Devices

#### CLOSED SESSION

- Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (R&T Code § 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1 and 50156.11)
- Pending Litigation: Zarcon Corporation and NCI Successor, Inc. v. State Board of Equalization, San Diego County Superior Court Case No. GIC 764277(Govt. Code § 11126(e))
- Discussion and action on Personnel Matters (Govt. Code § 11126(a))

# **❖ ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION**

- Consent Agenda
  - □ Approval of Board Employee Retirement Resolution
    - Sondra Merson
  - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
    - May 6, 2003
    - May 28, 2003
    - June 10-11, 2003
    - June 25, 2003
  - □ Approval of Section 6355 Coins and Bullion Bulk Sale Adjustment
  - □ Adoption of 2003-04 Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Rate
  - □ Approval of extensions of time to complete and submit 2003-04 Local Assessment Rolls pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 155 granted to Stanislaus County

# BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- □ Approval of the August 6, 2003 Board Committee Minutes
  - Business Taxes Committee

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Deborah Pellegrini, Chief Board Proceedings Division

- \* Public comment on any committee agenda item will be accepted at the beginning of the committee meeting.
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- "CF" Constitutional Function The Deputy State Controller may not participate in this matter under Government Code section 7.9.

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